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Thursday, October 21, 1999

Council Debates Interchange, **Agrees to Express Opposition**

by Sandy Smith

The city's position on the building of a Beltway interchange at the Greenbelt Metro station and the best strategy for advancing that position were discussed at length at the October 11 meeting of the Greenbelt City Council. In the end, the Council approved a letter to the Maryland Department of Transportation opposing the interchange.

Councilmember Rodney Roberts lost no time in declaring his opposition to the staff's recommendation that the city simply state its objections and concerns, rather than directly opposing proposed strategy concerning the Beltway interchange. He saw no advantage in holding off expressing opposition to the interchange in the letter. City Manager Michael McLaughlin, however, suggested that the city might have a stronger position in negotiation if they withheld final decision on the interchange and instead stated their major objections. He said, "If we say no, we may have no seat at the

Roberts stated that the issue of the interchange was the key and that opposition to it would bring the developers to the table. Also with Roberts, Councilmember Alan Turnbull said, "We can't be clear enough in opposition to the interchange." Both thought that the proposed development is auto-oriented and will bring traffic rather than Metro customers. They advocated a different mix of development that would be appropriate and take advantage of the Metro

Councilmember Edward Putens said, "We ought to tell them where we stand." Mayor Judith Davis was also opposed to the interchange and while she believed that the "mall was dead," she felt that there would be some development and that the city needed to be as involved as possible in those decisions. She referred to state and county interests in the economic development of the

CCRIC Position

Representing the Citizens to Conserve and Restore Indian Creek (CCRIC), Lowell Owens said that CCRIC is opposed to the interchange as being the key to high density development. Council asked if CCRIC had been successful in locating other potential buyers of the wetlands on the site and Kate Spencer responded that there had been some discussions. A spokesman for the

Sierra Club advocated that "we should say what we want not just what we don't want."

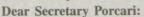
Mayor Davis then reiterated some of the shared goals: save as much as possible of the wetlands and the flood plains. Turnbull suggested that some types of development would lend themselves to a Metro station: an auto repair shop, florist, dry cleaners, day care - the type of facilities Metro commuters could use but that would not attract shoppers coming by car from throughout the region. All speakers agreed that a regional mall was wrong.

Joining the discussion then was Richard (Chip) Reed of Wilkes, Artis, Hendrik & Lane, representing Smith Associates and the Metroland developers. A frequent speaker at council and planning meetings, Reed asked council to withhold its opposition to the interchange and used for the first time - according to Roberts — the word "compromise." Reed suggested that there was plenty of time to issue a final opposition to the interchange and that the city and the developers should use this time to try to come to some

See COUNCIL, page 7

Letter to MDOT

Mr. John Porcari, Secretary Maryland Department of Transp. **BWI Airport**



The Greenbelt City Council wants to go on record concerning the proposed full Capital Beltway Interchange to serve the Greenbelt Metro station area.

The Council opposes a full Capital Beltway interchange at this location and believes this would be problematic for the following

1. There does not appear to be a safe distance from either the interchange at U.S. Route 1 or the interchange at Maryland 201, Kenilworth Avenue. Both of these interchanges are heavily used, as they are major north/south routes in a heavily urbanized area of Prince George's County. The additional traffic and the necessary lane changes that would be generated by the interchange would create a safety hazard.

2. The area where the interchange would go is environmentally sensitive. It is comprised of flood plain and stream channels. Construction of a full Beltway interchange would likely cause major disruption to this area.

3. The creation of a full interchange will significantly impact local intersections and roads.

4. The level and type of development that would be facilitated by a Beltway interchange would destroy a very sizable pristine wetlands and flood plain area, which are described in attached materials.

5. Public funds should NOT be used to build an interchange to serve private development. This would be an inappropriate use

Finally, a new interchange, by encouraging additional automobile access to the Metro site rather than increased usage of the Metro system, would undermine the city's long-standing goals of attracting quality, transit-dependent development to the Metro site and preventing additional environmental damage.

Thank you for your consideration. Please keep us informed and contact us if further information is needed.

> Sincerely, Judith F. Davis, Mayor City of Greenbelt, Maryland

What Would the Candidates Do to Reduce Crime in City?

Two weeks ago, the News Re- arrest warrant, driving intoxiview posed six questions to this year's seven candidates for election to city council. This week we publish answers to the second two questions. Responses were limited to 200 words and if a response exceeded that amount, it was cut off at the 200th word. Here are the answers to the third

What should the city do to reduce crime?

Alan Turnbull

Greenbelt enjoys relatively low crime, but the larger region won't let us take that for granted. We should emphasize traffic enforcement to create safer neighborhoods, because more people die from car crashes than crime. Plus, every time a dangerous driver is pulled over, police might intercept someone with an open cated, carrying guns. Let's get a reputation for being tough on bad driving; criminals might even think twice before visiting here.

We need to get more police into neighborhoods on foot and bike patrols. Police perceive more and have better citizen contact when they're not boxed up inside a cruiser. Bike patrols bring an element of surprise that makes potential lawbreakers nervous. But the Department's bike unit currently exists mainly on paper. Under 2% of total hours worked by our officers are on foot or bike; no wonder residents complain that they don't see enough of our police.

Lastly, let's use our "nuisance" laws (e.g., against littering, noise...) to protect property values and deter crime. Kids illegally smoking, littering, and cursing need to be straightened out; ignoring them just invites worse things. I want everyone to use our public places, but not to drive others away.

Bob Auerbach

First there is undoubtedly less crime in our city than in any other jurisdiction in the Washington area. Second the answer to crime in Greenbelt is not necessarily more police and bigger and better prisons.

The answer is more services to our population. Get to the individuals before they become criminals. Most youths at the Roosevelt Center, the shopping area at Springhill Lake and elsewhere are not committing crimes. Therefore police cannot apprehend them. But the police and shopkeepers often know the potential troublemakers.

These young people, and older ones also, need to be referred to agencies working for nonviolent conflict resolution, dispute resolution and mediation. Locally we have CCRC - Children for Creative Responses to Crime and Greenbelt Cares. There are many other agencies that can be help-

An increase in our police force, more and stronger walls and fences, large surveillance

See QUESTION 3, page 5

Lakewood Celebrates End Of Storm Water Project

by Dennis Jelalian

The party was rescheduled in deference to hurricane Dennis but that didn't seem to matter. As the light began to fade at 5:30 on October 14, County Councilmember Audrey Scott and the Greenbelt City Council co-hosted a dinner/picnic for about 50 members of the Lakewood community to acknowledge completion, at last, of the Lakewood storm water management project.

The festival was held on the lawn of the Greenbelt Baptist church, whose pastor, Mark Johnson, had given permission appropriate since the lawn is right next to Greenhill Road, where the new storm drains begin their uphill climb through the Lakewood community.

The storm water project took seven years to complete. Excessive water and flooding has been a problem since the Lakewood homes were constructed in the '50s. In 1992 the city signed a municipal participation agreement with Prince George's County to design the project for \$12,500.

The consulting engineers, Greenman-Pederson, Inc., which had been hired to evaluate the causes of flooding within the Lakewood subdivision and to prioritize the problems for improve-

ments refused to carry out the project within the authorized amount. Thus, when Scott was first elected to the County Council in 1994, nothing had been done. Bids from all design firms were far higher than the authorized amount as well.

As soon as Scott was elected, members of the city council asked to meet with her about the discrepancy between bid amounts and the money available. AB Consultants, which had won the bid for the design phase, asked for \$80,730.00, about six times the appropriated amount. Scott was able to get this additional money from the county, but this still met only the design cost.

The design was finished in February 1998 and Rapp Contracting won the bid at \$440,736.00 for the actual construction. Scott was then able to obtain this amount from the county coffers. Construction began on December 10, 1998, and was completed on August 27,

Kent Aist, project manager for the county, explained that the project placing new drainage pipes went up Greenhill Road from Crescent Road, with branches to the left on Greentree

See LAKEWOOD, page 11

What Goes On

Sunday, Oct. 24, 2:30 p.m. Dedication of Roosevelt Center, beginning at 2:30 p.m. with a concert by Greenbelt Band and followed by dedication at 3:30 p.m.

Monday, Oct. 25, 8 p.m. Regular City Council Meeting, Municipal Building Tuesday, Oct. 26, 8 p.m. Citizens for Greenbelt Candidates

Night, Municipal Building Thursday, Oct. 28, 7:30 p.m. Open Hearing on the Year 2000 GHI Budget, Hamilton Place

Friday, Oct. 29, 4 p.m. Costume Contest and Parade, Youth

Center

Letters

Thanks

The Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad Inc. and Ladies Auxiliary would like to thank everyone that came down for the Fire Prevention "Open House" on Saturday Oct. 9. The day was filled with a lot of Fire Prevention tips for all ages. The kids learned how to "Stop, Drop and Roll" if their clothes caught fire, and to crawl low in smoke. For the adults they learned how to use a fire extinguisher first hand and that a home sprinkler system can save your home in the event of a fire. Everyone learned that smoke detectors save lives and to practice a home fire escape plan. The fire fighters also showed everyone that being a fire fighter was a very dangerous job as they simulated a live fire in a small home made house. The fire fighters hope to see you again next time and want to wish everyone a safe holiday season.

Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad

Speed Bumps

It's good to see that the city is taking steps to slow the speeders on the city streets. Looking at the streets to be "calmed" in the future I notice that Lakeside Drive is not included.

The readers of this paper have seen the letters I've sent to the council and the News Review. Three times speeders on Lakeside Drive have lost control of their vehicles and gone through our front lawn. What does it take to get a few speed humps installed? Margaret D. Zanin

Precious & Important

In less than two weeks we will be going to the polls to elect our City Council. If you think about it your vote in a local election has more influence than your vote in a federal election. In 1997 one of the successful council candidates was elected by a margin of only 11 votes.

There are 9,893 registered Greenbelt voters eligible to vote in this election. In 1995, 25.1% of the registered voters turned out to vote. In 1997 this figure dropped to 21.5%

Last March, 1,764 voters turned out, in a snow storm, to vote in the Parkside Annexation Referendum. Wouldn't it be nice to double that number and have over a third of the registered voters voting on November 2 to decide who will govern our city for the next two years?

Your vote is precious. Your vote is important. Use it.

Sylvia J. Lewis

Misquoted

In your October 14 issue [Local Candidates Night Focuses On Police Staffing; Metro Site], I was misquoted regarding my answer to a question posed at GEAC's City Council candidates' forum about the proper size of our police department. I did not suggest asking the Fraternal Order of Police to do a study and recommend the optimal number of officers for Greenbelt. Rather, I stated my confidence that the F.O.P. would have let the City Council hear about it by now if Greenbelt was under-staffed according to any kind of national

norms or standards for officersper-capita. I emphasized, however, that if such information came to the Council - via staff, the F.O.P., or whomever - that I would be strongly influenced by such a finding. Let's not decide questions like the right size of our police force based solely on what "feels" right.

Alan Turnbull

Two Questions

When considering the Green Ridge House parking problems, hasn't the intended role of Green Ridge House in our community been given too little consideration? But who knows now what its role was to be, and whether that still holds good?

Would a joint Historical Society, News Review and City Council committee study of these two questions be feasible and worthwhile?

I think the building is not being best used today.

> Jim Cassels, resident Green Ridge House

CFG Hosts City Council Candidates

Citizens for Greenbelt, Inc. is hosting the candidates of Greenbelt City Council at a Candidates Night on Tuesday October 26 at 8 p.m. in the City Council Chamber. This meeting will be cable cast on channel B-

Each candidate will make an opening presentation including answers to the following questions: 1.) What should the City government do to avoid unexpected private/government development? 2.) How should the council decide when to negotiate with developers proposing unacceptable zoning and when to oppose the project through the process? Should implied commit-

Election Registration

After registration closed on October 4, a total of 9,916 Greenbelt residents were registered to cast ballots in the upcoming November 2 non-partisan City Council Election (see chart). The 1999 totals reflect an increase of two percent over 1997.

Competing for five council seats are seven candidates. The five incumbents - Judith Davis, Thomas X. White, Edward Putens, Rodney Roberts and Alan Turnbull - are out on the hustings along with challengers Bob Auerbach and Kelby Brick.

Any qualified voter who would be prevented from voting in the election by reason of religious beliefs, physical condition, or absence from Greenbelt on election day, is entitled to vote by absentee ballot.

Application forms for absentee ballots may be obtained in person from the City Clerk's office, Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road, or by writing a letter to the City Clerk stating why an absentee ballot is needed. If more than one ballot is needed, the letter must be signed by all persons wanting a ballot.

Applications for absentee ballots will be accepted until noon on Monday, November 1. The completed ballot must be returned to City Clerk David Moran no later than 6 p.m., on Tuesday, November 2, the day of the election. For more information call 301-474-8000

ments be made to a developer before there had been a public hearing in the proposal agreement? 3.) What should the City do to fight speeding and reckless driving in residential areas?

A question-and-answer session will follow. Light refreshments will be served. The public is in-

OFFICIAL NOTICE GREENBEIL ABSENTEE VOTING

Municipal Election - November 2, 1999 Any qualified elector who would be prevented from

voting in the municipal election by reason of religious beliefs, physical condition, or absence from the city on the day of election is entitled to vote by absentee ballot.

- (1) Letters of application for absentee ballots may be written to the City Clerk, stating why an absentee ballot is needed; if more than one ballot is needed, the letter must be signed by all persons wanting a ballot; or
- (2) Application forms may be obtained in the City Clerk's office in the Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road.

Applications to vote by absentee ballot will be accepted until noon on Monday, November 1, 1999. The completed absentee ballot must be returned to the City Clerk no later than 6:00 p.m. the day of the regular election, Tuesday, November 2nd, 1999.

Electors may complete their absentee ballot at the City Clerk's office at the time they present their written applications, if they wish.

For information, please call 301-474-8000.

David E. Moran City Clerk

The Old Curmudgeon



"Someday I'll be driving my imaginary vehicle down the invisible interchange to the fantasy Metro upscale development!"

Correction

The time of the Saturday, October 23 cello recital by Evelyn Elsing was given incorrectly in last week's paper. The free concert will take place at 8 p.m. in the Ulrich Recital Hall at the University of Maryland.

Correction

The Internet address to access Larry Noel's history of Landing Craft Armored LCT's part in the Normandy D-Day invasion was incorrect in last week's paper. The correct address is <www.members.tripod.com/ ~lct_flotillas_wwii/ normandy.html>. The News Review regrets the error.

City Registration Figures

As of October 12, 1999

Precinct	November 1997	November 1999	Change
3 - Center	2,436	2,471	+1.4%
6 - North End	2,173	2,119	-2.5%
8 - Springhill La	ake 1,691	1,806	+6.8%
13 - Greenbelt E	East 3,410	3,520	+3.2%
TOTAL	9,710	9,916	+2.1%

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DEADLINES: Letters, articles and ads—10 p.m. Tuesday. Materials for publication may be mailed to address above, deposited in our box in the Co-op grocery store (by 7 p.m. Tuesday) or brought to our office in the Community Center 15 Crescent Road during office hours. Mail subscriptions-\$32/year.

> Greenbelt Community Center at 15 Crescent Rd. OFFICE HOURS: Monday 2 - 4 p.m., 8 - 10 p.m., Tuesday 8 - 10 p.m.

Dog Show Benefits Fire Department

To benefit the Greenbelt Fire Department and Rescue Squad, an AKC Canine Good Citizen Test and Pet/Owner Photos will be sponsored by Greenbelt Dog Training Saturday, October 23, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. There is

The event is open to all dogs, mixed breeds welcome, with county registration and proof of rabies shots. The Fire Department is located at 125 Crescent Road. Call 301-345-6999 for further information.

Recreation Review

From October 26 to 29, the Greenbelt Recreation Department will be hosting a number of events to help children and families get into the Halloween spirit. On Tuesday, October 26, kids can make special trick-or-treat bags, and candy cobs inside the Youth Center. On Wednesday, October 27, the activity of the day will be pumpkin decorating, and on Thursday, October 28, participants will be making scarecrows. All events begin at 4:30 p.m. and have a minimal fee. Pre-registration is required. For additional information call the Recreation Department at 301-397-2200.

On Friday, October 30, the annual costume contest and parade will take place at the Youth Center, beginning promptly at 4 p.m. This is a free event followed by entertainment by Mad Science of DC. A fun time and treats for all are guaranteed.

Trick-or-treating will be on Sunday, October 31, from 6 - 8 p.m. Residents who wish to participate are asked to turn on their porch lights. Apartment dwellers should tie a piece of white cloth on their door.

Greenbelt CARES

Judye Hering met with Nancy Wilmot and Janet Goldberg on Wednesday, October 13, to discuss the GOAL Programs, Moving Ahead and CARES' Tutoring program. They examined each program to see if additional services could be provided to city residents.

Hering also attended a meeting at the University of Maryland's Engaged Campus Project.

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Community Events

At the Library

Children's Programs

Tuesday, October 26, 7 p.m., P. J. Storytime. Ages 4 - 6.

Thursday, October 28, 10:15 a.m., Trick 'Em and Treat 'Em, Ages 3 - 5

11:15 a.m., Toddler Time.

Fall Foliage Walk At Greenbelt Park

Join a park ranger on a one-mile walk on the Azalea Trail through Greenbelt Park on Saturday October 30, at 1 p.m. Please bring water and comfortable shoes.

All participants should meet at the Sweetgum Picnic Area located near the entrance of the park. For directions or more information call 301-344-3944.

GHI Notes

The Architecture & Environment Committee will meet on Wednesday, October 27 in the Board Room at 7:30 p.m. It is sponsoring a bulb and grass seed sale on Saturday, October 23 from 9 a.m.-noon.

There will be an Open Hearing on the Year 2000 Budget Thursday, October 28, 7:30 p.m. Members are encouraged to attend.

A Native American Fall Foliage Walk

Join a park ranger on a one-mile trail walk through Greenbelt Park to discover how Native Americans celebrated the fall, on Sunday, October 24 at 11 a.m.

Please bring water and comfort-

All participants should meet at the Ranger Station located near the campground area. Call 301-344-3944 for directions or more informa-

Enjoy Local Foliage

People don't have to drive to Skyline Drive to see fine fall foliage. Join Greenbelt's park rangers for an autumn stroll around Buddy Attick Lake this Saturday, October 23. See the autumn colors reflected in the lake, watch for wildlife, and hear about plans for new facilities at the park. Afterward, cider and cookies will be served at the Youth Center. All ages are welcome. The walk will start at the Youth Center at 10 a.m., rain date: Sunday, October For more information, call Park Ranger Chris Cherry at 301-

Greenbelt East Holds Children's Party

Greenbriar and Glen Oaks children are invited to the annual Halloween party on Saturday, October 30, at 11 a.m.-1 p.m. in the Terrace Room. Toddlers to age eight are encouraged to wear their favorite costumes. Come and have fun as a favorite character. Parents may bring cameras to capture it all on film. RSVP to Tina Murphy at 301-441-1096 by Wednesday, October 27.

New Deal Cafe

Open Fri & Sat, 7-11 pm



Music 8:30 pm No cover

Fri., October 22 Rachel and Jaqui. This dynamic duo from Big Village and the Beat Girls. Great music for kids and

adults. Sat., October 23

TBA Sunday Brunch 10 to 2 Greenbelt Community Center

(301) 474-5642

Greenbelt Municipal/Public Access TV Channel B-10 Schedule MUNICIPAL ACCESS-301-474-8000

Monday, October 25 8:00 p.m. City Council Meeting - Live

Tuesday & Thursday, October 26 & 28

6:00 p.m. The Spirit of Cooperation

7:00 p.m. Southwest Virginia Cloggers at Labor Day Festival

8:00 p.m. City Council Candidates Forum

PUBLIC ACCESS PROGRAMMING-301-507-6581 Call for Schedule



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THE CITY OF GREENBELT

Cordially invites you

to attend the Rededication of the

Roosevelt Center Mall

and

"Mother and Child"

statue Sunday, October 24, 1999 Pre-Concert at 2:30 pm Ceremony at 3:30 pm Roosevelt Center Mall 100 Centerway Greenbelt, Maryland

Rain Location Council Chambers, Municipal Building 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, Maryland

Golden Age Club

by Ruth Huggins

At the October 13 meeting the speaker was Lida Churchville, chief librarian at both the Archives Building 1 in Washington, D.C. and Building 2 in College Park. Churchville spoke of the various programs available at the Archives. To inquire about research information and tours, contact the NARA Customer Service Center. Also, the Archives is in need of volunteers.

President Bill Souser announced the names of the Nominations and Elections Committee:

Florence Holly, chairperson, Robert Terrell, and Betty Maher. The committee will present nominees for office at the first regular meeting in November.

Speakers at the October 27 meeting sponsored by Doctor's Community Hospital will be Lisa Lincoln, physical therapist, and Pat Durning, occupational therapist, speaking on "Educating Seniors to Reduce the Risk of Fall-

Exploring Indian Culture in Maryland

On Friday, October 29, Explorations Unlimited presents "Native Americans of Maryland." The presenter will be Marie Brooks, an employee of Watkins Regional Park. Participants will hear about the history, culture, and folklore of Maryland's Native Americans. Each participant will make a pinch pot to take home.

"Explorations Unlimited" is a speaker series held every Friday from 1-3 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Center. This presentation will be held in the Senior Classroom. Everyone is welcome to attend and questions are always encouraged. For more information call 301-397-2208.

At 10 a.m. (before the meeting), a representative from American Home Medical will have samples of the latest useful medical equipment on display.

REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL MUNICIPAL BUILDING COUNCIL ROOM October 25, 1999 - 8:00 P.M.

- **ORGANIZATION**
 - 1. Call to Order
 - 2. Roll Call
 - 3. Meditation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
 - 4. Consent Agenda Approval of Staff Recommendations

(The consent agenda consists of those items which have asterisks (*) placed beside them, subject to such revisions as may be made by the Council prior to approval.)

5. Approval of Agenda and Additions

- COMMUNICATIONS
 - - Proclamation "America Recycles Day"
 - MML President Jack A. Gullo (expected at 9:30 p.m.)
 - 7. Petitions and Requests

(Petitions received at the meeting will not be acted upon by the City Council at this meeting unless the standing rules are waived by the Council.)

- 8. Minutes of Meetings
- 9. Administrative Reports
- * 10. Committee Reports
- III. LEGISLATION
- IV. OTHER BUSINESS
 - 11. New BLX Liquor License Royal Gourmet
 - 12. Red Light Traffic Cameras
 - 13. Y2K Briefing
 - 14. Draft Consolidated Transportation Program
 - 15. Listing of Priority Transporation Projects for Prince George's County
 - * 16. Varsity Swim Meets at the Aquatic & Fitness Center
 - * 17. BiCounty Legislative Item -PG/MC 7
 - * 18. Sidewalks on Greenbelt Road
 - * 19. Resignation from Community Relations Advisory Board

MEETINGS

NOTE: This is a preliminary agenda, subject to change. Regular Council meetings are open to the public and all interested citizens are invited to attend. For information, please call 301-474-3870. If special accommodations are required to make this meeting accessible to any disabled person, please call 301-474-8000 or 301-474-2046 (TDD) to request such accommodation before 10:00 am on the day of the meeting.

Check out the Greenbelt Citylink website at www.ci.greenbelt.md.us

David E. Moran, CMC City Clerk

OBITUARY



Mary Luck

Former Greenbelter Mary Katherine "Kitty" Wilkerson Luck, 86, died on Wednesday, October 13, 1999 in Bushnell, Florida. She had lived at 44 A Ridge Road.

Mrs. Luck and her husband had owned a horse stable on Lanham-Severn Road that is still known as Luck stables. She worked for the Grand Union on Annapolis Road in Lanham and later at the one in Seabrook.

A member of St. Hugh's Catholic Church, Mrs. Luck also belonged to the Greenbelt Golden Age Club. She enjoyed crocheting and making things.

Her husband Paul Vernon Luck, Sr. preceded her in death. She is survived by daughters Bonnie Jerry Justice and Carol Maddox and son Paul Vernon Luck, Jr.; sisters Eleanor Ducharme, Greenbelt, and Margaret Willet; brothers Morris and Clarence Wilkerson; eight grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Services were held in Florida.

Volunteer Mentors Needed for Program

The Family Tree is a statewide agency dedicated to strengthening families and preventing child abuse and neglect. The Prince George's County branch office is in search of females, over the age of 21, to be volunteer mentors for its P.A.N.D.A. program.

The P.A.N.D.A. program matches pregnant and parenting teens with volunteer mentors. After completing the training provided by The Family Tree, the mentors work with the teens on issues such as parenting skills, educational goals and self-esteem building. The information and resources that the mentors share with the teens can help them dramatically reduce stress in their lives. This, in turn, dramatically reduces the risk of child abuse and neglect in their family. Volunteer mentors take an active role in breaking the cycle of abuse and neglect in their communities. Immediate opportunities are Contact Tobey available. Goldfarb at 301-808-5681 for more information about becoming a P.A.N.D.A. Volunteer Mentor.

Spirituality Discussion At Community Center

The continuing series of discussions on spirituality will present "David Bahm's Dialogue Technique Applied to Inner Life." This free discussion program will be held Saturday, October 23 at the Greenbelt Community Center. For more information, call 301-486-

Raymond Haber

Raymond Haber, 82, of 1 Court Westway died on October 19, 1999 after a long illness. (He would have celebrated his 83rd birthday on November 6.)

Born in New York City, Mr. Haber came to the Washington area in 1941. He worked for the federal government for 36 years. His last job was as a statistician in the office of the Secretary of Defense.

He and his wife, Rose, came to Greenbelt in 1944. They were involved in many volunteer jobs in Greenbelt. Recently they held an aquatic program for senior citizens at the Greenbelt pool.

Mr. Haber was a member of Mishkan Torah synagogue and the Greenbelt Golden Age Club.

He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Rose, of the home address (they were married July 30, 1939), daughters Glenda and son-in-law Victor Goodman of Silver Spring; and Imogene and son-in-law Robert McCleary of Davidsonville; three grandsons and three granddaughters (five of the grandchildren are married); and four great-grandchildren.

Services were held at Mishkan Torah on Thursday, October 21.

Expressions of sympathy may be sent to Mishkan Torah Syna-10 Ridge Road, Greenbelt.

Homecoming Week Concert at U of MD

The University of Maryland Symphony Orchestra will offer a free concert on Friday, October 29 at 8 p.m. in Tawes Theatre. Lan Shui, music director of the Singapore Symphony, will serve as guest conductor for the Orchestra's Halloween Classics for Homecoming concert featuring Stravinsky's Petrouchka, Mussorgsky's Night on Bald Mountain, Saint-Saens' Danse Macabre and Franck's The Accursed Huntsman to help kick off Maryland Masquerade Homecoming Weekend. For more in-

Join a Stream Team

The Prince George's County Department of Environmental Resources (DER) and the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission (MNCPPC) will hold the second of two stream sessions/workshops on Saturday, October 23. Volunteers will assess the health of local waters by collecting and identifying aquatic organisms and performing a habitat assessment. Information gathered through this volunteer program will increase the stream and river miles assessed by the county and will educate communities about how their actions effect water quality.

During this session, the focus will be on learning to assess stream health using aquatic insects and other critters as indicators. Participants will be trained in the techniques used by the county to collect and identify these organ-

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The club meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Duckworth School at Evans Trail in Beltsville. (Evans Trail is the first street to the left, at the blinking yellow light, west of Interstate 95, off Powder Mill Road.) Refreshments and door prizes will follow the meeting. Admission is free and the public is invited. For more information call 301-384-2415.

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QUESTION 3

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mirrors and cameras is not the way to go. Possibly we could use two or three more bicycle police and at times walls and mirrors are effective but most of us do not want to live in an armed camp. Let's say no to the idea of Fortress Greenbelt. Let's provide positive activities for our citizens.

Thomas X. White

The city should do all that it possibly can to reduce crime in Greenbelt.

With a Public Safety budget totaling \$5.5 million, and an allowance for 70 public safety department employees, the Greenbelt police force should manage those resources to effectively reduce crime and create a safe and secure environment for Greenbelt citizens. I will continue to support the department and its police officers with up to date law enforcement equipment, communication systems employing modern technology, safe working conditions, professional training, and a pay and benefit package that reflects the unusual and unique conditions of their jobs. All of those elements are critical to the effectiveness, productivity and professionalism that we have come to expect from our Greenbelt police department.

In order to obtain additional funding and support for the police, I will continue to work with representatives of the state legislature, the county and federal agencies to secure financial assistance for the city for law enforcement, crime prevention, and community policing programs, including police bike patrols.

Following a Greenbelt model, the federal government is now providing funding for "School Resource Officers." I will press for such support for the Greenbelt program from the Prince George's Board of Edu-

Rodney M. Roberts

I believe we need a balanced approach in dealing with crime. We need to insist on serious penalties for serious offenses. We need to improve the way we patrol our city. We need to provide more resources for our Family Services Department (Greenbelt Cares), and we need to continue to provide support and resources for all of Greenbelt's volunteers and contribution groups that work to guide young people in the right direction. The old saying still holds true; "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure."

Kelby Brick

Unfortunately, the number of assaults in Greenbelt has doubled in the past five years, and the number of rapes over the same period has increased by over 400%. We have the right to feel safe and secure within our home community, and it is the duty of our City Council to make sure this hap-

I find these numbers unacceptable and must be addressed directly. We also need to work with other communities outside Greenbelt to reduce crime in the whole region as over half of people arrested for crimes committed in Greenbelt are non-residents.

There are a number of possible ideas currently under discussion; as with all ideas, they have pros and cons. These ideas include: A city-wide teenage curfew, as most or all of Prince George's County already have such a curfew; Increase our involvement with schools in character development while emphasizing how crime affects us all; Utilizing various techniques to concentrate on "hot spots" in Greenbelt improving crowd control; Better utilizing the bicycle patrol and other community policing initia-

There are many other ways to address safety issues. We need to involve the whole community in a dialogue on this is-

Edward V. J. Putens

Let's acknowledge our accomplishments first. Our police department is the best in Maryland. This is not just me talking; we hear this from people in other cities at Maryland Municipal League and other area meetings. As a Council member, I have worked to keep our police a step ahead, by advocating, for example, additional police officers, a police school resource officer, surveillance cameras, and satellite stations.

Four new officers supported

licing effort in Springhill Lake. We previously created a satellite office in Beltway Plaza. About 54% of our arrests are in Greenbelt West. I have proposed additional City-funded police for other areas but a majority of Council opposed this.

Aside from more police, new initiatives should emphasize crime prevention, recognizing that 35% of our arrests are of Greenbelt residents and others are associates of Greenbelt residents: Additional surveillance cameras in sensitive locations; Strategies to increase home ownership, to counteract the sharp increase in homes occupied by renters; A plan for revitalizing Springhill Lake which includes some home owners, to create a stable core for the Greenbelt West population; Finally, crime control and prevention also depends on participation of individual citizens.

Judith F. Davis

Greenbelt is fortunate to have a dedicated and effective police force. Through tax dollars and grants, our officers are highlytrained and well-equipped. Acby federal funds will be as- cording to an August 19 memo ing to report crimes.

signed to a new community po- from Chief of Police Craze, the incidence of reported crime in Greenbelt is down 9.6% compared with the same six months last year. Crime declined for all kinds of offenses, except auto theft.

To maintain this downward momentum, more officers might be needed, but with the force at full strength, I think more efficient deployment is warranted instead, along with increased visibility. A top priority is to re-energize the very popular, effective bike patrol. Foot patrol hours should be increased so that officers get to know the residents in their sectors. Judicious use of surveillance and red light cameras could augment police presence. Scofflaws, be they motorists or cyclists, need to be dealt with aggressively. Salary and benefits must be commensurate with other local police agencies to retain officers in whom our city has invested training costs.

But our police cannot do it alone — Greenbelt still needs vigilant citizens to be the "eyes and ears" for our community, to join or activate Neighborhood Watches, and to be will-



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THOMAS X. WHITE

To City Council

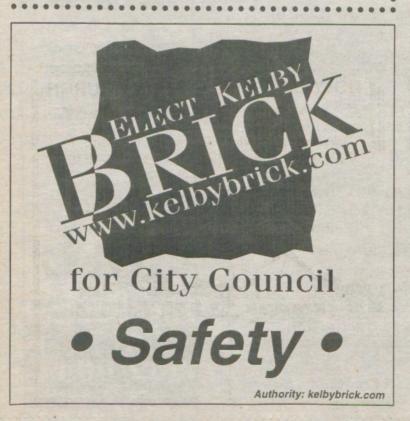
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- Increase resources and greater emphasis on programs and facilities for Greenbelt youth.
- Effective advocacy against excessive development or undersirable development in and around Greenbelt.
- Continued prudent fiscal management and budget decisions to assure availability of essential City services and adequate reserves for necessary capital projects.
- Strengthen neighborhood/community association/stakeholder relationships with City County/City Government.
- Maintain Greenbelt Quality of Life and take advantage of avail able opportunities to enhance city services for our citizens.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 1999 Vote Lever 4A Thomas X. White

Authority: Charles Hatcher, Treasurer





Candidates State Their Visions For Metro Area Development

Here are the answers to the must not be developed. A fourth question we posed to the seven candidates.

What is your realistic vision for the development of the Metro/Smith property

Alan Turnbull

We need to protect Indian Creek and our local roads from ill-considered development posing as "smart growth." I'd like to see truly transit-oriented businesses at the Metro station at a modest scale. Any development at the Metro station should be restricted to the area that has already been disturbed - just the existing parking lot. And the kinds of uses should be things that meet the needs and wants of Metro users. This avoids generating new road traffic yet strengthens the Metro system's health. Enlightened Metro planners know that in the long run it is the number of satisfied Metro passengers - not the short-term profits that land development brings - that will determine Metro's health.

As for the Smith property, it is simply too far from the station for any project there to honestly be sold as Metro-centered, and it is too important to the health of the Anacostia River to be sacrificed. All levels of government need to work with the property owners and the conservation community to craft a deal that protects that land and gives the owners a fair return on their investment.

Bob Auerbach

The realistic vision for the A. H. Smith property, also called the wetlands, is to leave it to nature. Clean it up so Indian Creek will be preserved. Just build a small nature center devoted to wetlands and creeks.

We must get state and federal governments to help put up the money to buy this land. We are winning. The army's engineers say some of this area member of the College Park City Council who is pro development has thrown in the towel. He realizes the proposed Metroland with big upscale apartments and office buildings will never be.

Recently the Greenbelt Council heard the developer's lawyer propose compromises and ask for a work session. Realizing he is losing he is trying to grab any straw he can find. The lawyer noted the wetland in question is now zoned industrial. Later he mentioned that one of his clients is an industrial developer. This is a threat. Greenbelt must not be willing to make compromises on such important property. It is time for us to play hardball. Let's keep Greenbelt green and let's keep the wetland wet.

Thomas X. White

vision for this Greenbelt West development is essentially: (1) a public transit oriented development of the WMATA (Metro) owned site at a scale that presents no adverse effects on the existing transportation system, the surrounding environment and adjacent residential neighborhoods; (2) preservation in a natural state of the environmentally sensitive wetlands, flood plain and braided stream beds of the Indian Creek course through the entire area (this could involve up to 150-200 acres); (3) environmental remediation of the savaged industrial wasteland created by the sand and gravel mining and cement production operations on the A. H. Smith property; and (4) appropriate and compatible commercial retail or office development in the southern portion of the trace, adjacent to Greenbelt Road.

It is extremely important that such a vision gains the

unified support of Greenbelt citizens and the Council, the neighboring municipalities of Berwyn Heights and College Park, environmental organizations and, if possible, county, state and federal agencies.

Up against influential developer interests, the county's unbridled zeal for "economic development," and WMATA's woeful track record, support for an environmental friendly vision will be sorely challenged. I am prepared to support a strong Greenbelt strategy to assure our western "green belt."

Rodney M. Roberts

Those who would like to see a wetland preserve and nature center on the A. H. Smith site are not "environmentalists." They are citizens of Greenbelt, Berwyn Heights, College Park, and other areas. They are people who believe we have enough malls, apartment complexes, strip malls, big box stores, and the traffic, pollution, and crime that goes along with them. I agree. As I have made my way around Greenbelt campaigning, citizens have made it clear to me that they don't support high-density development at the Metro Station. The argument that county politicians and WMATA (Metro) want this proposed project so we should just go along is unacceptable. I will continue my efforts to protect and restore the wetlands and floodplains on the A. H. Smith Property and insist on lower density transit-oriented development at the Metro Station.

Kelby Brick

Why are we talking about building new malls on green land when there are already other paved properties that can be demolished and rebuilt or renovated instead? This includes the New Carrollton and Landover Malls. Why are we building new malls if other local

malls are not succeeding? It makes more sense to make over currently developed properties to meet the needs of local residents, instead of using environmentally valuable wetlands to build new commerce centers.

If development of those specific properties is inevitable, I would push for the development of only those areas that are already paved or partially developed (such as the Metro parking lot) with stores that would attract commuters to increase Metro usage. Some examples of such stores would be a florist, a dry-cleaner, a gift/card shop and a coffee shop. However, Greenbelt and Prince George's County must work together to attract upscale stores to our area. A large percentage

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Authority: Susan McKinley, Treasurer



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VISIONS

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of our residents' (discretionary spending) tax money goes to Montgomery, Howard and Anne Arundel Counties. That means we are losing tax funds that we could use to improve our educational and safety services.

We should encourage the redevelopment of existing commerce centers while protecting undeveloped land.

Edward V. J. Putens

In general, I support the carefully balanced conclusions of the Metro Area Sector Planning Group, whose meetings have been reported in the News Review. My position can be summarized in three points.

(1) I support environmental restoration of the Smith property as an absolute requirement, to overcome some of the damage caused over the years, plus preservation of wetlands and flood plains. I oppose industrial uses.

(2) Second, I would consider an upscale retail development on Metro property, but latest information suggests this may not happen. Otherwise, I favor a modest development of distinctive stores and shops which would create shopping opportunities and increase our tax base. I lack enthusiasm for Wal-Mart and other typical retail development. We already have Beltway Plaza.

(3) I envision the Metro/ Springhill Lake area as a commuter-oriented and pedestrianoriented urban village which will become an attractive place where people want to live and shop. The shops would attract commuters working Greenbelt West office buildings, Metro-going shoppers, and residents from a revitalized Springhill Lake and other neighboring communities. It is important to avoid any massive development which will depend heavily on automobile traffic and overwhelm our street capacity and neighborhoods in this area.

Judith F. Davis

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check to buy the entire area around the Metro station and build a nature center. In a perfect world, the Metro station would have been built on land with less environmental impact.

But, the station is there, as

is the ecologically-damaged Smith property. Property owners have the right to develop their land to economic advantage. Only part of the proposed development is within Greenbelt, lessening our control. We must do what we can to negotiate and plan with neighboring communities and the developers to preserve the largest amount of wetland, flood plain, and adjacent acreage as possible. Fortunately, there may be state funding available to purchase the most critical wetland areas. Some development will occur around the Metro, which, if it is profitable and transit-centered, will fit the Smart Growth concept. Development on the heavily disturbed sections of the Smith property could be a commercial-residential mix.

With careful planning, effective leadership, and critical funding, the end result will be a balanced development with an extensive wetland preserve, adding little impact to our local roads. It will take all our efforts and close attention to make this happen.

COUNCIL

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Reed asked for a work session with the council and said that a stated - and in his view premature - opposition to the interchange before compromise could be fully discussed would "pull one of the legs out from the three-legged stool the developer's sitting on."

Turnbull answered that he "only wished the city could kick out the stool, but at most the city would be asking the 2,000-pound gorilla, the State Highway Administration, to kick out the leg." Reed saw no immediate urgency but Roberts disagreed, citing the upcoming Sector Planning Group meeting.

Turnbull and Roberts thought that opposition to the interchange should be independent of any specific development. They foresaw no type of development that would require an interchange to be appropriate for the Greenbelt area. Davis wanted opposition to the interchange to be stated in specific terms (environmental, transportation) but not in terms of opposition in general to development, which she thought was unrealistic and likely to fail. She wanted to leave some negotiating room to discuss appropriate de-

Councilmember Thomas X. White joined the meeting late but in time to go over the 30-year history of the Metro station planning in Greenbelt. He reminded everyone that a partial interchange was rejected in the original planning as having an adverse environmental impact and he said that the council would be irresponsible if it didn't now state its strong opposition to a full ex-"The interchange has flaws that are virtually insurmountable," he said.

Paul Downs, president of Citizens to Save the Green Belt, asked the city council to dream much bigger than just the "sick, insane greed" of development and make the talk of being responsible for future generations a reality. "Let's kill this tonight," he asked, "and fight this to the

Davis then suggested that council modify the letter to the Transportation Department;

Co-op Annual Meeting Will Be October 30

The Greenbelt Consumer Cooperative will hold its Annual Meeting on Saturday, October 30 at 10:15 a.m. in the Greenbelt Community Center Multipurpose Room (above the Co-op Nursery School). Coffee and rolls will be served at 9:45 a.m.

According to the bylaws, 25 members constitute a quorum. In the absence of a quorum, those present can schedule another meeting, which can proceed even in the absence of a quorum.

The agenda includes reports by the manager, the treasurer, and the chairperson, plus board member elections.

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Turnbull provided a suggested rewrite. The council approved a final letter that specifically stated its opposition to the interchange and all reasons against it without specific mention of development.

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Local Author Pens Novel About "Invisible Garden"



Woodcuts adorn Dorothy Sucher's new book. This picture of the Sucher's Vermont home is by Mary Azarian, a Caldecott winner for her illustrations for a children's book.

by Virginia Beauchamp

Full disclosure, as they say. I've known Dorothy Sucher for nearly 40 years and worked with her on this newspaper for at least half that time. I've seen how she can rise to the occasion to compose a story on a fast-breaking event occurring at the very time we put the News Review together. And do it with humor, aplomb, and a wealth of telling detail. And of course her features and profiles over the years have delighted us

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unseen force. Visiting a longin Vermont, Dorothy fell in down the road - or rather, editor of this paper. with an overgrown stream that was the stream, and the vision of what it might become in a tidier landscape, that urged her to buy the place. Later, when gifted gardener gave her a

that vein in her early days as riveting. staff writer for the News Review. No, this is a different kind of garden - one that flourishes within her memory, the sort she labels "invisible." And, in fact, it's not just gardening, but nature writ large in sylvan springs, deep forests, and shattering storms, as well as its milder aspects in blackberry brambles and wildflowers. As the seasons move and the years roll by, its aspect changes and so does its imprint on the mind of the writer.

A particularly moving chapter, "The Pond," will be of special interest to Greenbelters. As she takes us through the evolution from concept to

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you. And so it is with her new completion in creating an book, The Invisible Garden. earthen pond in a swampy patch Indeed, this could be the title below the house, Dorothy interof a new mystery, but isn't. Or twines the story of her mother's last years. The first glimmer of of all — how the events of our interest in the subject of ponds lives come back to enrich our came from a book she picked days as today's moments evoke up in a physician's waiting the memories of yesteryear. As room while attending her the book jacket says, "One mother, who died soon after. She had brought her mother, Shirley Bryant, to Greenbelt That's "soil," as in the dirt from Florida after a life-threatbeneath our feet, or under our ening illness. Here Mrs. Bryant knees - when we work it to made a new life for herself, bebring forth its beauty and its coming well known in her own bounty. When we choose to right as bridge player and library and bloodmobile volun-In a way, this book wrote it- teer. "Oh, you must be Shirley self — in the same way that a Bryant's daughter," Dorothy new/old life unfolded by some quotes local residents' comments to herself, one who time friend who had relocated thought she had established her own identity in this town love with an old farmhouse among other ways as former

Great earth-moving machines ran through the property. It and men with lesser tools for reconfiguring the land figure prominently in this book. They move a tree and create a sylvan pool at a nearby spring. A team an elderly neighbor who was a of competent native sons of Vermont clears out the 11-acre planting of Sweet Cicely, Dor- broken forest of century-old othy found herself hooked as white pines on the Suchers' property that was swept away in But this is not a how-to a cataclysmic storm. Dorothy's book. Long ago she worked description of that process is



Dorothy Sucher in Vermont.

- photo by Michael Belenky

This is a Vermont story. Greenbelt as a place is unnamed, except for mention in the acknowledgments of the Greenbelt Writers Group. Maryland is remembered in one brief passage for the noise of helicopters and airplanes in its sky and the rush hours on the Beltway. In contrast, the Vermont air is clear and crisp.

Too crisp, in fact, for the writer, who soon returns to share our milder winters and she assures us - to pick up her place on the working and writing staff of this paper. After our summer of drought, none of us faults her desire to return each summer to her northern oasis. This is where - in family connections from distant and nearer past - she discovered again, and shares with her reader, her deepest



Dear Candidates,

October 9, 1999

Citizens for Greenbelt, Inc. is looking forward to your being our guest, as a candidate for Greenbelt City Council, at our Candidates Night. The meeting will be held on Tuesday evening, October 26 at 8 p.m. in the City Council Chambers. Please confirm by calling 301-441-2426.

We have been assured by the City that this meeting will be on live cable television, Channel 10 B.

Each candidate will be given five minutes to make his or her presentation which will include answers to the following questions:

- (1) What should the City government do to avoid unexpected private/government development?
- (2) How should the Council decide when to negotiate with developers proposing unacceptable zoning and when to oppose the project through the process? How should the public be involved in such negotiating? Should implied commitments be made to a developer before there has been a public hearing in the proposal agreement?
- (3) What should the City do to fight speeding and reckless driving in residential areas?

A question-and-answer session will follow allowing one minute answers to floor questions and one minute rebuttals. Each candidate will also be given a one minute closing statement.

There will be a moderator and a time keeper. The order of speakers will be determined by drawing lots.

A table will be provided to display your campaign literature should you wish to do so.

We hope your friends and supporters will attend this important civic event. Light refreshments will be served.

Cordially,

Jim Inzeo, President



Enjoying the picnic are Rev. Mark Johnson, pastor of Greenbelt Baptist Church, Bill Dupree, acting association president, Lakewood Civic Association, County Councilmember Audrey Scott, City Manager Michael McLaughlin, and Anne Zevallos.

- photo by Prospero Zevallos

LAKEWOOD

(Continued from page 1)

Road, Orange Court, Green Knolls Place, and Empire Place. The system then continued a little way past Empire Place to drain Hillside Road. Aist said that the project was really two projects. Besides regular drains, the company installed a storm drain as well.

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Besides Pastor Mark Johnson, others from Greenbelt Baptist Church also attended the party.

Bill Dupree, acting president of Lakewood Civic Association, said that a majority of Lakewood homes required sump pumps. The project took so long that it was a perennial source of questions. He said, "They've done patches, but they still need to do the streets." He is still wondering, he said, "Why don't projects go faster?"

Of a community of 104 families, Dupree estimates the Lakewood Civic Association has about a 70% membership. He says,

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In complimenting Dupree, Scott said, "He was my loudest fan. Suddenly he was my best friend."

Ed Putens noted that, "At one time the money for the project was lost. Audrey Scott saved it."

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A Review

Cowan & Hass *** by Dennis Jelalian

What do you say about two people who are graceful, polished, and who sing beautifully? I have written about Ingrid Cowan and and music at Smith College in Ole Hass before, and I have praised them. Previously, at An burg, Germany, where she lived Evening with Friends, they sang a for three years. Now a resident of few numbers beautifully.

This time, on Saturday, October 16, they were featured performers in a concert presented by the Greenbelt Center for the Arts. And what a program!

As is their custom, they take turns singing. The material is arranged in more or less chronological order, and the music is impeccable. But this time the second music are closely related and my half of the program held the real treat. "Toujours," part of "Poeme ence my art." d' un Jour," by Gabriel Faure by Hass, Cowan's "Der Ring" by Schumann; Hass's "Ideale" and day from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and "La Serenata" by F. P. Tosti; also during weekend theater box Cowan's "Show Me" by Frederick Loewe (with pantomime by Hass) tion, call 301-441-8770. Please were all special for one reason or join in an artist's reception on another.

What is it that makes these performers so memorable? Let me tell you a story.

The lobby of the Arts Center was filled with art, all done by Ingrid Cowan. I had heard that she won a prize in the Labor Day show, but I hadn't seen her piece. Here was a chance to look at her work in depth. I had an opportunity to speak with her about her work (all fascinating). She had two works, similar but different, both featuring herself and Hass. The light painting was entitled "Stage Fright" and the other, dark one, she calls "The Nose." I remarked that that nose couldn't possibly be Ole's. That set her off. Ole had gone into the dressing room for a minute, so Ingrid opened the door, and called in sweetly, "could you bring your nose out here?"

Cowan Holds Exhibit

The Greenbelt Arts Center announces an art exhibit featured in its newly renovated lobby. Artist Ingrid Cowan Hass, a native of North Carolina, studied studio art Northampton, MA and in Ham-Greenbelt and a professional musician, she continues to paint and

"In all my works, no matter what the subject matter or medium, the main focus is on color and value and the effect of using them in juxtapositioned combinations and layers," says Hass. "For me as a musician, visual arts and musical ideas and interests influ-

To view the show, visit the Arts Center Monday through Frioffice hours. For more informa-Sunday, November 7, from 3-5 p.m.

The question was ridiculous enough, but here comes Hass, dutifully, in response to his wife's summons. The painting showed the nose in profile. Cowan took her husband's head in her hands and put his head parallel to the portrait while he stood still. I could see the resemblance, although she had taken some liberties with it.

I remarked that indeed I saw the resemblance. Ingrid took his head in her hands and, very gently, kissed his nose.

I treasure this memory. I wish everyone could have seen it. Cowan and Hass are professionals. They are at ease with themselves and they share that ease with the audience. What a shame that the rest of the hearers missed this finish!



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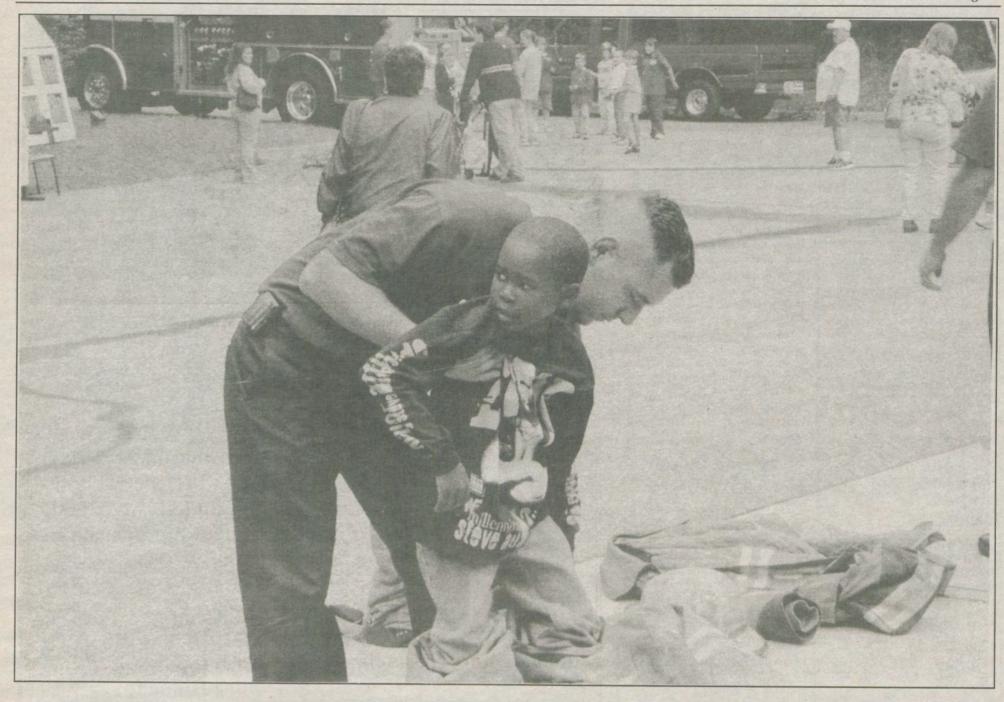
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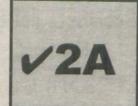
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POLICE BLOTTER

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department. Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

Assault

School, October 8, 4:05 p.m., a 14-year-old male resident was arrested for two counts of assault, disrupting school activities, and resisting arrest after school officials attempted to stop him for violating a school rule. He assaulted two school officials and violently resisted arrest by a school resource officer. One of the school officials sustained an incapacitating injury. The youth was charged on juvenile petition and released to the custody of a

5900 block of Cherrywood Lane, October 15, 3:03 a.m., a woman stated that while she was sleeping in her bedroom, she was awakened by an unknown person who entered her room and sprayed her with a fire extinguisher. The victim was not injured and she reported that one

of her roommates did have Eleanor Roosevelt High friends over, but all visitors were gone upon the officers arrival. There were no signs of forced

Peeping Tom

9100 block of Springhill Lane, October 12, 9:39 a.m., an eightyear-old girl stated that while she was getting dressed in the living room, she noticed a male staring at her through the window. After a couple of minutes, the person walked away. He is described as Hispanic, age unknown, 5'7" with a thin build and shoulder-length, dark curly hair; he was wearing a green tee shirt and brown pants.

Unattended Child

Beltway Plaza Mall, October 8, 2:33 p.m., a 23-year-old male nonresident was arrested after he left his two-year old son unattended in a vehicle for approximately 10 minutes. The man was released on a citation pending trial. **Burglary** and Theft

400 block of Ridge Road, October 8, 3:53 p.m., currency was taken. The method of entry is unknown.

Greenbriar Community Center, October 9, 1:05 a.m., someone apparently used bolt cutters to gain entry into a secured area containing two vending machines. Once inside, the person pried the coin box out of one vending machine and vandalized the other.

7200 block of Hanover Parkway, October 11, 8:50 a.m., a fax machine, microwave, and miscel-

laneous items were reported stolen from an office. Entry did not appear to have been forced.

9100 block of Edmonston Terrace, October 12, 9:46 p.m., a stereo, a VCR, computer equipment, and several CDs were reported stolen. Entry was gained through a bedroom window.

200 block of Lastner Lane, October 13, 12:55 p.m., the hubcaps from a vehicle, an air compressor, and air hammer in a carport were reported stolen.

Parkway Apartments, October 13, 6:28 p.m., U.S. currency was reported stolen. There was no sign of forced entry.

Vehicle Crimes

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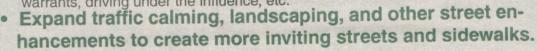
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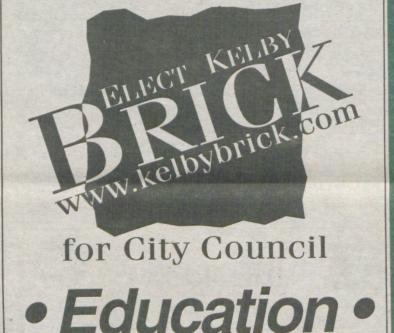


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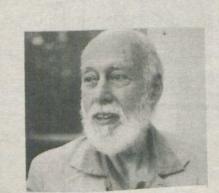
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